

## Draft Regulation

An Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie  
(chapter R-6.01)

### Quantity of renewable natural gas to be delivered by a distributor

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation respecting the quantity of renewable natural gas to be delivered by a distributor, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation sets the minimum quantity of renewable natural gas to be delivered by a natural gas distributor at 1% of the total quantity of natural gas the distributor distributes as of 2020, and progressively increases that quantity to set it as of 2025 at 5% of the total quantity of natural gas distributed.

Study of the matter has shown no specific negative impact on small and medium-sized businesses. However, according to the current conditions of the market, it is estimated that the delivery of the minimum quantity of renewable natural gas required as of 2020 would represent an additional cost for natural gas consumers equivalent to 1.1% of the value of the deliveries of natural gas in Québec in 2017.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Xavier Brosseau, Director, Direction des approvisionnements et des biocombustibles, Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles, 5700, 4<sup>e</sup> Avenue Ouest, bureau A-422, Québec (Québec) G1H 6R1; telephone: 418 627-6385, extension 8351; fax: 418 644-1445; email: xavier.brosseau@mern.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Luce Asselin, Associate Deputy Minister for Energy, Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles, 5700, 4<sup>e</sup> Avenue Ouest, bureau A-407, Québec (Québec) G1H 6R1.

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(chapter R-6.01, s. 112, 1st. par., subpar. 4)

**1.** Natural gas distributors must deliver annually a quantity of renewable natural gas equal to or greater than the result of the following formula:

$$T \times \frac{(LRA3 + LRA2 + LPA1)}{3}$$

In the formula provided for in the first paragraph,

(1) the variable “*T*” represents

(a) a rate of 0.01 as of the distributor's rate year beginning in 2020;

(b) a rate of 0.02 as of the distributor's rate year beginning in 2023; and

(c) a rate of 0.05 as of the distributor's rate year beginning in 2025;

(2) the variable “*LRA3*” represents the total of the distributor's actual natural gas deliveries to the major enterprise market and the small and medium flow market for the third rate year preceding the current year, subtracted from any quantity of renewable natural gas;

(3) the variable “*LRA2*” represents the total of the distributor's actual natural gas deliveries to the major enterprise market and the small and medium flow market for the second rate year preceding the current year, subtracted from any quantity of renewable natural gas;

(4) the variable “*LPA1*” represents the total of the distributor's estimated deliveries to the major enterprise market and the small and medium flow market for the rate year preceding the current year, subtracted from any quantity of renewable natural gas.

The result of the formula and the variables described in subparagraphs 2 to 4 of the second paragraph are in million cubic metres (Mm<sup>3</sup>).

**2.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.